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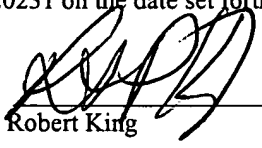
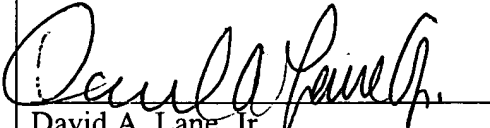
Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/803,131
Entitled: *Optical Probes and Methods for Spectral Analysis*
Filed: March 9, 2001
By: Von Rosenberg
Our Ref: TXY-001.01

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application please find the following:

1. Preliminary Amendment; and
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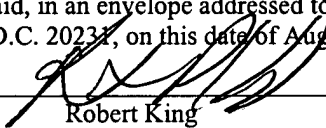
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the above-titled application as follows.

In the claims

Please cancel claims 29-38 without prejudice.